

The Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD) is an Israeli peace and human rights organisation founded in 1997 to end the Israeli occupation and advocate for a just peace in Palestine/Israel. Its focus for mobilisation is Israel's policy of demolishing Palestinian homes (more than 54,000 in the Occupied Territory since 1967, added to the 52,000 demolitions within Israel since its founding in 1948), and it has rebuilt 189 homes as political acts of non-violent resistance. ICAHD "translates" the facts on the ground into effective advocacy tools: critical analysis conveyed through articles, pamphlets, books, maps, presentations, films and social media.

Torat Tzedek, founded by Rabbi Arik Ascherman, former Director of Rabbis for Human Rights, is a new Israeli multi-issue human rights organization that bases itself both on international law and the Jewish tradition. It believes that protecting human rights and taking concrete action to further these goals is a human and religious obligation in general, and specifically a Jewish religious obligation. On principle Torat Tzedek works for the human rights of Palestinians in the Occupied Territories, Israeli Jews, Israeli Palestinians, African asylum seekers, etc.

The fee of \$1300 (approximately £930 and Euros 1060) covers all programme expenses: food, accommodation, field trips, educational materials and travel. Not included are flight tickets, travel to and from Jerusalem, spending money during free time. Participants are responsible for their insurance cover. Registration is open through 15th August and the final payment due 15th September 2018. Participants are encouraged to participate in the fundraising campaign to buy bricks for the community centre.

ICAHD has extensive experience in running rebuilding camps for internationals and Rabbi Arik Ascherman has hosted visitors from around the world in acts of solidarity with the Palestinians. Participants from the age of 18 are invited to join and all should be physically fit. An application form must be completed, and references will be taken.

"Thank you again for the great experience I had by participating in the camp. I nearly didn't come, feeling sleeping on the floor would all be too much! So very glad I did - it was one of the best experiences of my life."
S Parfitt, UK, 2015 ICAHD Camp

Is it safe? You will be living in an area of conflict and engaging in activities to resist the Israeli Occupation. The Israeli authorities could disrupt our building activities, though we will not confront them. We will be guests of the local communities, and over the past 15 years of rebuilding camps facilitated by ICAHD, no one has ever been injured or arrested.

What about insurance? You will need to take out private insurance for travel & medical coverage.

Do I need a visa to travel to Israel/Palestine? Access to the Palestinian territories is controlled by Israel. Citizens from Western countries do not need visas to enter Israel, but your passport does have to be valid for 6 months from the last day of the trip.

How fit do I have to be? People from the ages of 18 to 82 have participated in ICAHD camps. There are no specific requirements and you can work as hard as you choose. The travel and living conditions can be basic.

Is there a cancellation policy? All funds paid to ICAHD will be put towards the rebuilding, whether you decide to attend the camp or not. If the camp is cancelled (an unlikely event), you will be fully reimbursed.

How do I apply? Write to director@ichaduk.org for an application form.

If you cannot attend but would like to support our work, please help fund a participant or donate by buying bricks for the construction of the community centre in the Jordan Valley. See the October 2018 camp section at www.icahd.org.

See you in October!